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Cancellation No. 92044268
Reg. No. 2364754, 2364755

MELISSA GEORGES FRANKFURT KURMIT KLEIN & SELZ, PC 488 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

GIRLFRIEND ENTERPRISES, INC

V.

L&H Apparel, Inc.

## Shelley Jamison, Legal Assistant

A petition, a copy of which is attached, has been filed to cancel the above-identified registration.

Proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Trademark Rules of Practice.

ANSWER IS DUE FORTY DAYS after the mailing date hereof. (See Trademark Rule 2.196 for expiration date falling on Saturday, Sunday or a holiday.

Proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Trademark Rules of Practice, set forth in Title 37, part 2, of the Code of Federal Regulations. The parties are reminded of the recent amendments to the Trademark Rules that affect the rules of practice before the TTAB. See Rules of Practice for Trademark-Related Filings Under the Madrid Protocol Implementation Act, 68 Fed. R. 55,748 (September 26, 2003) (effective November 2, 2003); Reorganization of Correspondence and Other Provisions, 68 Fed. Reg. 48,286 (August 13, 2003) (effective September 12, 2003). Notices concerning the rules changes, as well as the

Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Manual of Procedure (TBMP), are available at www.uspto.gov/web/offices/dcom/ttab/.

The parties are particularly referred to Trademark Rule 2.126 pertaining to the form of submissions. Paper submissions, including but not limited to exhibits and depositions, not filed in accordance with Trademark Rule 2.126 may not be given consideration or entered into the case file.

## Discovery and testimony periods are set as follows:

Discovery period to open: March 23, 2005

Discovery period to close: September 19, 2005

30-day testimony period for party

in position of plaintiff to close: December 18, 2005

30-day testimony period for party

in position of defendant to close: February 16, 2006

15-day rebuttal testimony period for plaintiff to close:

April 02, 2006

A party must serve on the adverse party a copy of the transcript of any testimony taken during the party's testimony period, together with copies of documentary exhibits, within 30 days after completion of the taking of such testimony. See Trademark Rule 2.125.

Briefs shall be filed in accordance with Trademark Rule 2.128(a) and (b). An oral hearing will be set only upon request filed as provided by Trademark Rule 2.129.

NOTE: The Board allows parties to utilize telephone conferences to discuss or resolve many interlocutory matters that arise in inter partes cases. See the Official Gazette notice titled "Permanent Expansion of Telephone Conferencing on Interlocutory Matters in Inter Partes Cases Before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board," 1235 TMOG 68 (June 20, 2000). The notice is available at http://www.uspto.gov. Interlocutory matters which the Board agrees to discuss or decide by phone conference may

be decided adversely to any party which fails to participate.

If the parties to this proceeding are also parties to other Board proceedings involving related marks or, during the pendency of this proceeding, they become parties to such proceedings, they should notify the Board immediately, so that the Board can consider consolidation of proceedings.

## New Developments at the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board

TTAB forms for electronic filing of extensions of time to oppose, notices of opposition, and inter partes filings are now available at <a href="http://estta.uspto.gov">http://estta.uspto.gov</a>. Images of TTAB proceeding files can be viewed using TTABVue at <a href="http://ttabvue.uspto.gov">http://ttabvue.uspto.gov</a>.

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Date of Deposit <u>February 14, 2005</u>. I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Tragemarks, 2900 Crystal Dowel, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3514.

Mrs

Signature

February 14, 2005

Via Express Mail

Commissioner for Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

Re:

Trademark Registration Nos. 2364754 and 2364755

Mark: STARLETTE and STARLETTE & Design

Class: 25

Our Ref. No. 4937-0100-M203

## Dear Sir/Madam:

We enclose herewith:

- 1. Petition to Cancel
- 2. Check in the amount of \$600; and
- 3. Postcard receipt.

This request is being submitted in triplicate as required by 37 CFR § 2.102(d). Please stamp the enclosed postcard to acknowledge receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Matthews

Enclosures

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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Petitioner,	Reg. Nos. 2364754 and
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	2364755
JASCO APPAREL, INC. (by assignment),	
Respondent.	

## PETITION TO CANCEL

Girlfriend Enterprises, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York and doing business at c/o Frankfurt Kurnit Klein & Selz, PC, 488 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022 ("Petitioner"), believes that it will be damaged by the continuing registration of the marks reflected in Registration Nos. 2364754 and 2364755 in International Class 25 and hereby petitions to cancel the same.

Petitioner is filing the cancellation as a consolidated proceeding due to the fact that the parties are the same, the registrations sought to be cancelled by Petitioner are substantially similar, and Petitioner is challenging the registrations on identical grounds. Accordingly, these proceedings may be presented on the same record and briefs without appreciable inconvenience or confusion. See Helene Curtis Industrics v. Suave Shoe Corp., 13 USPQ2d 1618 (TTAB 1989).

As grounds for cancellation, it is alleged as follows:

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- Petitioner has been using the mark STARLET BY STAR JONES in commerce
  since at least as early as October 2003 in connection with footwear, hosiery, socks
  and belts. Such use has been valid and continuous since the date of first use and
  has not been abandoned.
- 2. Petitioner has two applications pending with the United States Patent and Trademark Office in International Class 25 for the mark STARLET BY STAR JONES for "[b]elts, footwear, hosiery, socks" (Serial No. 76/536079) and "[c]lothing namely blouses, blazers, coats, dresses, jackets, overalls, pants, shirts, shorts, skirts, leggings, slacks, sleepwear, loungewear, lingerie, robes, sweaters, suits, t-shirts, tops, bathing suits, undergarments, gloves, caps, hats, head bands, head wear, scarves, kerchiefs" (Serial No. 76/536080) ("Petitioner's Applications").
- 3. Respondent is the alleged owner of Registration Nos. 2364754 and 2364755 for the marks STARLETTE and STARLETTE (Design) for "women's clothing, namely, tops, shirts, pants, blouses, skirts, jumpers, rompers, shorts, jumpsuits, jackets, headwear and lingerie" in International Class 25 (the "Registered Marks").
- Upon information and belief, Respondent is not using the Registered Marks in Class 25 in connection with clothing and has abandoned the Registered Marks due to nonuse.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Respondent has abandoned the Registered Marks by discontinuing its use of said marks with no intention to resume use.

6. Accordingly, Registration Nos. 2364754 and 2364755 should be cancelled pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1064(3).

7. Petitioner is likely to be damaged by continuance of said registrations in that

Petitioner has been using the mark STARLET BY STAR JONES in interstate

commerce and its legal use of said mark will be impaired by the continued

registration of said abandoned marks of Respondent.

8. In addition, Petitioner is being damaged by the continued registration of the Registered Marks in that Petitioner's Applications have been rejected on the basis of Respondent's Registered Marks.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests that Registration Nos. 2364754 and 2364755 be cancelled.

A duplicate copy of this Petition to Cancel along with the required fees are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 14, 2005

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